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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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X Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

M Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 18 of this paper.

M Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 21 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

П Amendments to the Abstract are on page of this paper. A clean version of the

Abstract is on page of this paper.

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Amendments to the Title:

Please replace the Title with the following:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A DATA SERIES INCLUDING PROCESSING PRIORITY DATA

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings includes changes to Figures 20(a), 20(b), 20(c), and 22. These sheets replace the original sheets.

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Attachments: Figures 20(a), 20(b), 20(c) and 22

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